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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Pavitra Subramaniam, et al.

Application No.: 09/883,623

Confirmation No.: 4377

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD TO

SEARCH A DATABASE FOR RECORDS MATCHING USER-SELECTED SEARCH CRITERIA

AND TO MAINTAIN

PERSISTENCY OF THE MATCHED

RECORDS

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231-9998

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application,

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the

following preliminary amendment and to consider the following

remarks.

## IN THE DRAWINGS

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Enclosed herewith is amended Figure 18 in which the proposed changes are made in red ink. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to approve the Figure 18 as amended.